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QUESTION
Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
(a) Whether the Government/RBI is being charged different rates for printing of same currency by the different security printing presses;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the prices charged by different printing presses for printing same currency note; and
(c) the corrective steps taken to check this anomaly and ensure printing at lowest rate?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY FOR FINANCE
(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, the rates paid for printing of banknotes by different presses are different. The reasons for these differences is that the cost of production varies due to many factors including the age of machines, capacity of plant, level of automation, and manpower employed etc.
(c): The pricing is periodically reviewed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the prices for the supply of banknotes are paid on the basis of cost plus approach, return on investment and return on capital, among others.
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